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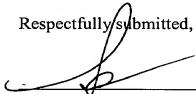
Dear Sir:

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**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability, mailed August 24, 2007, which includes the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, entry of the following comments into the file history of the above-captioned application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance states

"The claims are drawn to arrays of probes having a first and second strands wherein the second strand is longer than the first strand and the second strand has a random sequence of 3 to 10 bases as the terminal end. The second, longer strand also has an oligonucleotide of 4-20 random nucleotides ligated to the terminal end. The prior art does not teach or suggest the double stranded probes and random sequences as claimed."

Applicant recognizes that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details why the claims are allowed. In the above-referenced application, Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. For example, as explained by Applicant on the record, none of the art of record, singly or in any combination thereof discloses, teaches or suggests an array of nucleic acid probes, where each probe includes a single-stranded region and a double-stranded region, where the single-stranded

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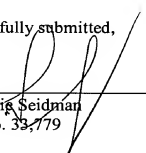
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region includes a random sequence of between 3-10 nucleotides in length ligated to an oligonucleotide of 4-20 nucleotides in length. The oligonucleotide includes a random nucleotide sequence of nucleotides. In addition, each of dependent claims 75, 76, 92-94, 123, 124 and 136 is allowable on its own merits.

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